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**FROM ALEXANDER SPOTSWOOD, ESQ.**

ALEXR SPOTSWOOD april 30th 1775

SR/ It is Immagin'd the first thing, that will Come on the Carpet at the Meeting of the Congress, Will bet that, of Establishing Regular Armies throughout the Continent on pay, if the such a prop thing, Shd. Take place, their is not the least doubt But youl have the Command of the Whole forces in this Collony — and in that Case, Shall ever Esteem you as my greatest friend, if you'l use yr. Intrest in procureing me a Commission — or Shd. the powr. of Chuseing officers, be vested in you — & you Shd. think proper to Confer so great an honr. on me, as to Quallifying me, as one of yr. officers, you'll find me, as I have Always been, Ready to serve my Country, in the Glorious cause of liberty, at the Risk of my life & fortune Gratis —

I am extremely glad to inform you that after a Long debate it was at last agreed we Shd. not March to Williamsburg

I am with Respect yr obt St ALEXR SPOTSWOOD